

**Chambers of Senior Judge Herbert L. Chabot**

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**Herbert L. Chabot**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1931  
Education: CCNY 1952 BA; Columbia 1957 LLB; Georgetown 1964 LLM  
Began Service: April 3, 1978  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

**Academic:** Adjunct Professor, The George Washington University (1974-1984)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Russell E. Train, United States Tax Court (1961-1965)

**Government:** Associate, Joint Committee on Taxation, United States Congress (1965-1978)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1953-1955); United States Army Reserve, United States Department of the Army (1955-1963)

**Nonprofit:** Legal Staff, American Jewish Congress (1957-1961)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; Federal Bar Association

**Staff**

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**Howard A. Dawson, Jr.**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1922  
Education: North Carolina 1946 BS; George Washington 1949 JD  
Began Service: August 21, 1962  
Appointed By: President John F. Kennedy  
Political Affiliation: Democrat

**Academic:** David L. Brennan Distinguished Visiting Professor of Law, School of Law, The University of Akron (1986); Director, Tax Graduate Program and Professor, School of Law, University of Baltimore (1986-1989); Distinguished Visiting Professor of Law, School of Law, University of San Diego (1991)

**Government:** Attorney, Civil Division, Office of Chief Counsel, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1950-1953); Civil Advisory Counsel, Atlanta District Office, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1953-1957); Regional Counsel, Atlanta Region, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1958); Personal Assistant to the Chief Counsel and Assistant Chief Counsel, Office of the Chief Counsel, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1958-1962)

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1949-1950)

**Military Service:** United States Army, Finance Corps (1944-1945); Captain United States Army Reserve, United States Department of the Army

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The District of Columbia Bar; Federal Bar Association; State Bar of Georgia

**Chambers of Senior Judge Julian I. Jacobs**

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**Julian I. Jacobs**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1937  
Education: Maryland 1958 BA, 1960 LLB; Georgetown 1965 LLM  
Began Service: 1984  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Academic:** Adjunct Professor, Graduate Tax Program, University of Baltimore (1991-1994); Adjunct Professor, School of Law, University of San Diego (2001); Adjunct Professor, College of Law, University of Denver (2001)

**Government:** Attorney, Legislation and Regulations Division, Office of the Chief Counsel, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1961-1965); Trial Attorney, Office of the Regional Counsel, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1965-1967)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Weinberg & Green (1967-1969); Hoffberger & Hollander (1969-1972); Partner, Gordon, Feinblatt, Rothman, Hoffberger & Hollander, LLC (1972-1984)

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**Arthur L. Nims III**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1923  
Education: Williams 1945 BA; Georgia 1949 LLB; NYU 1954 LLM  
Began Service: June 29, 1979  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

**Government:** Special Attorney, Office of the Chief Counsel, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1951-1954)

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1949-1951); McCarter & English (1955-1979)

**Military Service:** United States Naval Reserve (1943-1946)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American College of Tax Counsel; The American Law Institute

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Mark Cornillez** ..... (202) 521-0750  
Began Service: October 2008  
Term Expires: October 2010  
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**Chambers of Senior Judge Robert P. Ruwe**

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**Robert P. Ruwe**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1941  
Education: Xavier (OH) 1963 BSBA; Salmon P Chase 1970 JD  
Began Service: November 20, 1987  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Government:** Special Agent, Intelligence Division (Criminal Investigation), Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1963-1970); Trial Attorney, District Counsel, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1970-1977); Technical Assistant to Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of the Chief Counsel, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1977-1979); Director, Criminal Tax Division, Office of the Chief Counsel, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1979-1982); Deputy Associate Chief Counsel (Litigation), Office of the Chief Counsel, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1982-1984); Director, Tax Litigation Division, Office of the Chief Counsel, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1984-1987)

**Staff**

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Term Expires: June 2010  
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**Chambers of Senior Judge Laurence J. Whalen**

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**Laurence J. Whalen**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1944  
Education: Georgetown 1967 BA, 1970 JD, 1971 LLM  
Began Service: November 23, 1987  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Government:** Trial Attorney, Tax Division, United States Department of Justice (1971-1975)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Hamel & Park (1977-1984); Director, Crowe & Dunlevy (1984-1987)

**Military Service:** United States Army Reserve, United States Department of the Army (1971)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; Federal Bar Association

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**Chambers of Senior Judge Joel Gerber**

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**Joel Gerber**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1940  
Education: Roosevelt 1962 BS; DePaul 1965 JD; Boston U 1968 LLM  
Began Service: June 18, 1984  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan  
Term Expires: December 14, 2015

**Academic:** Lecturer, Vanderbilt University (1976-1980); Lecturer, University of Miami (1986-1990)

**Chambers of Senior Judge Joel Gerber continued**

**Government:** Trial Attorney, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1965-1972); Staff Assistant to Regional Counsel and Senior Trial Attorney, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1972-1976); District Counsel, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1976-1980); Deputy Chief Counsel, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1980-1984); Acting Chief Counsel, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1983-1984)

**Judicial:** Chief Judge, United States Tax Court (2004-2006)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association

**Chambers of Senior Judge David Laro**

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**David Laro**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1942  
Education: Michigan 1964 BA; Illinois 1967 JD; NYU 1970 LLM  
Began Service: November 2, 1992  
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

**Academic:** Adjunct Faculty, Georgetown University; Visiting Professor, School of Law, University of San Diego

**Corporate:** Chairman, Republic Bank (1986-1992); President and Chief Executive Officer, Durakon Industries, Inc. (1989-1991)

**Legal Practice:** Winegarden, Booth, Shedd and Laro (1970-1975); Laro & Borgeson (1975-1986); David Laro, Attorney at Law (1986-1992); Of Counsel, Dykema Gossett PLLC (1989-1990)

**Current Memberships:** State Bar of Michigan

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**Chambers of Senior Judge Carolyn P. Chiechi**

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**Carolyn P. Chiechi**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1943  
Education: Georgetown 1965 BS, 1969 JD, 1971 LLM  
Began Service: October 1, 1992  
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

**Government:** Attorney-Advisor, The Honorable Leo H. Irwin, United States Tax Court (1969-1971)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP (1971-1976); Partner, Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP (1976-1992)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; American College of Tax Counsel; American Judicature Society; The District of Columbia Bar; Federal Bar Association; Women's Bar Association of the District of Columbia

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Began Service: 2007  
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